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ABOUT TOWN MATTERS IN ARLINGTON.

All notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc., of which an admission fee is charged or from which a revenue is to be derived, must be paid for by the line at the advertiser.

=Mr. Hollis Gott is back to the factory this week after a severe attack of the grippe.

=Mr. Clifford Perkins is back at the Pleasant street grocery, after his long and serious sickness.

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ny Orchestra. Single admission tickets are now on sale at Perhams, at 75 cents each.

=Miss Mary Law and brother George have gone to Los Angeles, California.

=The Walden outing club of this town held its fourth annual concert and ball in Town Hall, Thursday evening.

=Last evening, in their hall on Chestnut street, the newly elected officers of St. Malachi Court, M. C. O. F. were installed.

=Mr. Alex. Bowman, the tailor, has been confined to the house for three weeks with grippe, but is now able to be back to his business again.

=At a special concclave of the Knights of King Arthur, Castle Avalon, on Monday last, Sir Adelbert Kilmer was raised from the rank of page to esquire.

=The annual meeting of the parish of St. John's church in Arlington is called for Tuesday evening next. At this meeting the warden and vestry for the ensuing year will be elected.

=Mr. Harry K. Lloyd will give a talk before the Boys' Chapter Club, illustrating the same by crayon sketches, Monday evening, at eight o'clock. The friends of the boys are invited to be present.

=An exceptionally fine concert may be expected from the talent engaged by the Clover Lead-a-Hand for its next entertainment, which occurs Jan. 22nd, in Town Hall. Single tickets at 75 cents can be obtained at Perhams, or of club members.

=The annual meeting of the Sewing Circle and the Home Missionary Society of the Baptist church will take place on Monday, the 13th, at 2.30, at the home of Mrs. Wm. B. Wood, 23 Jason street. All the ladies of the church are invited, as new plans are to be recommended for the coming year.

=John J. Donahue, of Ladder 1, has returned from Magnolia, where he went a short time ago for the benefit of his health. The salt sea air has built him up and the rest apparently did him much good. He reported for duty at the central fire station Wednesday evening, and was received with pleasure by his comrades.

=The annual meeting and election of officers of the Sunday school of the Universalist church, was held in the vestry of the church, on Wednesday evening, when the reports were listened to and officers elected as follows:—Supt., E. W. Goodwin; 1st. assistant, J. O. Holt; 2nd assistant, Miss Jeanie Frost; treasurer, F. A. Horter; assistant treas., Mr. Bradley Frost; librarians, Horatio Lamson and Durand Currier; pianist, Miss Cairn Higgins.

=The recently elected officers of James Ray Cole Lodge, Knights of Pythias, were publicly installed in Odd Fellows Hall, last Tuesday evening, the work being exemplified by Deputy Ernest D. Flagg and suite of Massachusetts Lodge. Prominent among the speakers was Ex-Mayor Walter Rausell, of Lynn, Past Grand Chancellor of Massachusetts. During the evening a collation was served and an orchestra furnished music. The officers were listed in this paper a short time ago.

=Mrs. Farmer R. Walker, of Jason St., has but recently returned from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Edith Gordon Caine of London. Mrs. Walker went to the west early in the fall, where she visited relatives and her husband, who is now located on a ranch in South Kansas. During her absence Mrs. Walker has travelled over twelve thousand miles and has tasted both the life of the western and that of London, with its gaiety and fascinating charms.

=Owing to the crowded condition of Locke school, an assistant teacher has been employed to assist in the third and fourth grades. Miss Annie W. Craig, of Milton, Mass., has been appointed for this work. In the first four grades at this school there is an average attendance of fifty-three pupils.

=The report of district work for December, 1907, has been tabulated by Miss Elizabeth T. Goodwin, the nurse, as follows:

Number of calls,	209
" cases,	40
" medical,	31
" surgical,	5
" obstetrical,	4
" deaths,	3
Money collected,	\$41.10

=Sarah H., widow of the late Dr. Robert Foster, died of pneumonia Monday night, at her home, 16 Pelham terrace, after a few days illness. The deceased was born in Norwalk, Conn., and was the daughter of Elbridge G. and Sarah B. Seymour. Dr. Foster died five years ago last November and since that time his widow, who was then in feeble health, has been cared for by a faithful attendant, the deceased having no children to administer to her in her declining health. The funeral occurred Thursday at 2.30 o'clock, the devotional services being conducted by Rev. James Yeames, of St. John's Episcopal church, where the deceased and husband were prominently identified and where there is now a beautiful memorial window in memory of Dr. Foster. The burial was at Little Compton, R. I.

=The "Men's Club," of the Universalist church, met in the vestry last Tuesday evening, for the regular monthly meeting. The night was a very stormy one, but there was a fair representation of the club present. The items of business were soon disposed of, and the president hastened to introduce Mr. Walter F. Hamblin, who gave a talk on "A trip to Nome, Alaska." Mr. Hamblin went to Alaska on pleasure trip, took his camera with him, and secured some very unique and interesting pictures. From over a hundred of these he had lantern slides.

The Paragraph Pulpit.

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Minister, Rev. Frederic Gill, 29 Academy St.

GREAT AFFIRMATIONS.

VI. CONCERNING THE BIBLE.

The inspiration and revelation of God are continuous and universal, some degree of them being found everywhere and always. Religious experience is the perennial manifestation of God. The Bible contains the records of the spiritual insight, the religious life and thought of a wonderful race and many great souls. Mingled with these records are other narratives, many of which have little, others no, religious value. The Bible is a heavenly treasure in an earthly vessel. It is not a tyrant over the soul, but a helper of our best life. The test of its inspiration is its capacity to inspire. The Bible abounds in that which arouses the deepest and divinest forces in human nature. The man who gets from it a quickening of his consciousness of God, an arousing of his will to more earnest moral endeavor, and a sense of the supreme importance of the soul and God, has got at the heart of the Bible. We do not use the Bible as an armory of proofs texts with which to confute those who differ from our opinions, and we have nothing to do with twisting passages into conformity with our ideas, or reading modern thought into its pages. To say that to distinguish between the true and false, the good and the evil in the Bible is to reject it, is as absurd as to say that one rejects the golden grain of the harvest because he does not eat the straw.

Correspondence and questions are invited.

made and his talk was illustrated by the stereopticon. Mr. Hamblin is not a professional lecturer, but knows the points of interest and how to interest his hearers. He talked entertainingly about his trip, the country and details about the mining. After the lecture there was an informal social time.

=Last Sabbath the morning service at the Universalist church was of more than usual interest. Just prior to the preaching service the communion took place. Rev. Mr. Fister, the minister, termed it "Men's Sunday," and preached a timely discourse from the text of Tim. 6, part of 12th verse,—"Fight the good fight of faith." Mr. Fister showed how in the civic and commercial life there were battles to be fought to-day requiring consecration, devotion and heroism, as well as in the past, when battle and strife were raging. He cited, in an interesting way, conspicuous instances of those who have fought the good fight and won for their fellow men and their country enlarged opportunities for both, and baffled evil and wrong doing in high places. He specially commended President Roosevelt for daring to stand for national and commercial integrity in the face of opposition and misrepresentation of his deeds and motives. The sermon was one calculated to especially interest men and suggest what they can accomplish by a personal application of the theme. The music during the morning was furnished by Mrs. Grace Munroe Marshall, who sang two beautiful solo numbers, accompanied by Mrs. Stevens at the organ.

=The twentieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Herman P. McManus was celebrated by them at their home, assisted by a host of friends, on Wednesday evening. The fact that it was the "china wedding," was evidenced by the number of handsome gifts showered on the couple at this time. The house was decorated with red and green crepe paper and looked decidedly pretty and festive. The evening was enlivened with a musical program in which solos were sung by Miss Annie McCarthy, Mr. Frank Barrett; Miss Helen Kennedy, and Miss Lena Maguire. Mr. Walter Proctor was the accompanist, and all the singers were greatly enjoyed. A spread was served during the evening and hearty good cheer prevailed. Mr. McManus has been a trusted employee of the Boston Elevated and his constancy is steadily increasing his sleeve straps. The union of the couple has been blessed by four sons and three girls,—a good old-fashioned family.

=The First Baptist church is unusually fortunate in having for its regular alto so accomplished an artist and one having such a glorious voice as Mrs. Blake. Indeed, the entire quartet is exceptional. The Music Committee naturally has a problem on hand to supply a substitute alto which will properly balance the other voices during the period of Mrs. Blake's annual winter vacation it being at a time when most singers are regularly engaged in other churches. Next Sunday will be the last before the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Blake for California. The music of the Sunday forenoon service will employ five voices. Buck's Venite in A, arranged for five parts, will be the opening anthem. Miss Blake is to sing "Jesus Only," a beautiful solo by Rotoli. Offertory Sentence, "Blessed are they who considereth the poor," by Dr. Nares. After Dr. Watson's sermon on "The Spiritual House," the concluding portion of J. C. D. Parker's "Redemption Hymn for Alto Solo and Chorus," beginning with "Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return," will be sung. Mrs. Colman, who sang at this church from 1883 to 1900, has kindly consented to sing the extra alto part. voluntary at 10.30 o'clock.

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Reversing a Decision.

By EDITH MELNO.

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Thomas Henderson Howie stepped grandly from the elevator, rather resentful of the elevator boy's patronizing pat on the head. Men who came downtown on business should not be patted on the head even if their mothers do possess foolish ideas that curls are cute. Men on business bent always act importantly and should be treated with deference.

The pat had the effect of stiffening Thomas Henderson Howie's small backbone to an unusual degree of ramrod stiffness, and it was a very pomposus six-year-old who entered Dorrington's office.

Tim Dorrington looked up from a pile of papers with a genial smile.

"Welcome to our city, Mr. Thomas Henderson Howie," he cried. "And what good fortune brings you to the office? Surely you are not about to be sued for breach of promise? I am afraid of that little Houston girl, or perhaps it is the embezzlement of preserves again!"

"It's a letter," explained Tommy stiffly, as he delivered the square white envelope into Tim's trembling hands. "I will be going now," he added as he turned away. Tim raised his hand.

"Wait a moment, please," he asked. "There may be an answer."

Tommy climbed into the biggest chair and settled himself with quaint, old fashioned gravity, while Dorrington opened and read the note. Twice the man read it, though the first time the words had seared themselves into his brain.

It was a cold, almost curt note in which Jessie Howie acknowledged the honor he had done her in offering to make her his wife, an honor she declined, regretting that there had been anything in their friendship to lead him to believe that the friendship might grow to greater intimacy.

Dorrington smiled bitterly as he read the last few lines. Surely he had had every reason to hope for a favorable answer to his letter. Jessie had been tenderness itself. With a sigh he thrust the letter into his pocket and turned to his small visitor.

"I regret, Thomas Henderson Howie," he said in the playful banter that had been suggested by the child's quaint dignity—"I regret that my pleasurable anticipations of a wild dissipation in soda water and candy in celebration of an important event have been dashed to earth. But man turns to drink both to express his joys and drown his sorrows. Therefore I pray you to descend with me to the drug store on the ground floor and assist me in the latter ceremony. They have hot chocolate with whipped cream."

"No, thank you," said Tommy politely. "I don't want any soda."

"Perhaps you prefer the stronger tingle of beef tea?" suggested Dorrington. "It is a cup that cheers without inebriety and can be rendered quite palatable if you use enough celery salt to disguise the flavor of the beef extract. Shall we go?"

"I don't want to go with you," said Tommy stolidly. "I don't like you any more. You make Jessie cry."

"That," said Tom, "is what they call an inversion of facts. Your sister has made me cry."

"I'm glad of it," said Tommy cruelly. "You made her cry lots."

"You are sure?" asked Dorrington quickly. "She was crying over my letter?"

"Lots," declared Tommy with a sweeping gesture that suggested a very flood of tears. "I went to her room to get her to sew the tail on my dog again. She was crying awfully, and she was kissing your letter and saying things."

Dorrington moved closer to the boy. "You don't remember what she said, do you?" he pleaded gently. "See if you can't think, Tommy, boy. Try hard, laddie."

Thomas Henderson Howie knitted his brows thoughtfully and assisted the mental process by solemnly wriggling his right foot.

"It was something about a mean sacrifice," he said at last. "Sacrifices," he added informatively, "is where the Indians kill people and burn 'em up."

"The operation is bloodless and the fires are internal nowadays," said Dorrington softly. "What else did she say?"

"She said 'How can I do it?' and then she cried some more," continued Tommy. "Then there was something about for father's sake, and mother came in and said something about duty and then something about Mr. Bowen, and Jessie cried lots more, and then she wrote the letter, and she gave me a penny for myself and kissed me."

For a moment Dorrington sat stunned. He had invested heavily in suburban real estate, and much of his capital was tied up in land, but Dorrington had not guessed that Mr. Howie's need was so great that he had been compelled to go to Bowen.

For nearly a year Cyrus Bowen had sought to make Jessie the fourth Mrs. Bowen. Mrs. Howie had favored his suit, for the matron was ambitious for her daughter, but it must have been dire need that caused blunt Henry Howie to add his influence. Dorrington turned to Tommy.

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chair before the roll top desk, supplied him with a pencil and pad and slipped from the room. It was less than a block to the office building in which Henry Howie had his suit, and shortly Dorrington entered the private office of the operator.

"You will pardon my abruptness," began Tom, "but I have just had a letter from Jessie refusing an offer of marriage. From what Tommy says I imagine that her refusal is influenced by the fact that you need Bowen's assistance, and she is the bonus for the loan. Am I right?"

For a moment Henry Howie's hands clinched and unclenched themselves nervously. The blunt statement of facts roused him to anger, but the white, tense face of the man before him restrained him from pitching Tim out of the office as he longed to do. He liked Tim, and it hurt him to give pain to the young fellow.

"You are not entirely correct in your premises," he said at length. "I believe that Jessie does contemplate marriage with Mr. Bowen. Bowen has promised to come to my aid in an extremity. That Deepdale tract has been a heavy burden to me. Bowen will take it at what I paid and pay cash. This will enable me to save other investments. Naturally Jessie is grateful to the friend who has come to my rescue and looks with favor upon his suit. I tell you this that you may understand. Of course it will go no further."

"I thank you for your confidence which will be respected. But I want to ask what you are getting for your Deepdale holdings."

Howie looked at the younger man in surprise. "I presume that you have a reason for asking," he said. "The sum is \$10,000. That is \$200 more than I gave for the land."

"Bowen is generous in the extreme," said Dorrington, with a sneer. "No doubt you are aware that the Central and Suburban plans a cutoff to the main line that strikes the property? That will be better than the trifle which was not built. I am junior counsel for the road, and I know that Bowen has known this for two weeks."

For a moment Howie shrank back, stunned at the treachery of his fancied benefactor. Bowen would make a handsome profit from his supposed charitable action.

"I suppose this is the reason you seek Jessie's hand," sneered the elder man, stung to a retort as an outlet to his feelings.

"Not at all," said Dorrington calmly. "My reason for speaking now is that they purchased my old homestead for a model town. They are to build their shops there. I had not thought of your holdings. Do you want a loan?"

Twenty minutes later Dorrington burst into his own office.

"Tommy-boy," he cried, "for your great services let us get soused on soda and then buy out a candy store and take it up to Jessie. You've enabled me to beat Bowen at his own game and wipe Jessie's tears away. 'Soused' is a vulgar word, Tommy, boy, but it's expressive of my feelings, and to your uncanny powers of observation I owe the fact that I've reversed the decision."

Does War Develop Nations?

From the horrors of war have come many benefits unexpected at the time China will yet come to bless the day that she was beaten by Japan. The blood and agony of the civil war made America a nation. Italian unity had its foundation in the humiliation of Novara. France made her way to her rightful place among the nations from the miseries of Sedan and the commune. Wellington used to consider that the greatness of modern British arms owed its birth to Charles I and the efficacy of naval administration to James II. For good or ill, it is from the stricken fields of the Crimea that Russia's present greatness dates. She stood alone against the world. Her exchequer was empty, her paper money no longer accepted. The great empire, built up by such labor and pain, was within measurable distance of dissolution. Sevastopol fell. Finland and Poland were on the verge of breaking away. All looked at its blackest. The conditions imposed in the peace treaty were humiliating in the extreme, but one by one Russia slid out of them. The tremendous development which has taken place in Russia dates solely from that dark hour when all seemed so nearly lost. To say that right over might has triumphed would be another matter.—London St. James' Magazine

Philadelphia Suburbanites Aggrieved.

When Philadelphia leased its gas works ten years ago, it retained one plant, which serves the Tacony and Holmesburg districts. In recording the action of a meeting of the citizens of these districts, when a committee was appointed to carry their grievance to the mayor, the Philadelphia Record says:

"The plant was built twenty-five years ago and is declared to be in miserable condition, affording an inadequate and inferior supply of gas, although a handsome profit is returned

to the city each year by its operation. The capacity of the plant has not been improved to keep pace with the growth of that section of the city. Frequent breaks in the mains leave the householders without gas."

Sample Civil Service Examination.

This comes from Canada. A politician there was appointed to a position which technically had to be occupied by a lawyer, which the appointee was not. In order to obviate the technically a board of examiners was appointed to question him as to his knowledge of the law. The first question by the board was, "What do you know about the law?" and the modest response was, "To tell the truth, I do not know a single thing." Whereupon the board intimated that the questioning was at an end and submitted a report on the examination, in which it was gravely stated, "We have examined the appointee as to his knowledge of the law, and to the best of our knowledge and belief he has answered all the questions with entire correctness"—Cincinnati Citizens' Bulletin.

He Won His Bet.

Thomas Nelson Page, while riding down a country road, met an old negro leading a horse and laughing as only a negro can.

"Sam," said Mr. Page, "what's the joke?"

"Oh! Mawnin' marster. I jes' won a bet offen his hyear fool hoss."

"Why, Sam," said Mr. Page, "how did you do that?"

"Well, you see, boss, I was a leadin' dis hyear hoss back yonder an' I seen a piece of paper ahead of us; an' I said, 'Blacky, I let you a quarter you gwine ter be afraid of it.' But Blacky shook his head—he wouldn't. Then I said, 'Blacky, I let you a quarter you will—will you take my bet?' An' he nodded his head. Well, sah, when we git up dar de wind flutter dat paper about, an' Lord bless my soul, you ougther seen dat hoss. He shy clean outen de field. Ha, ha! An' dat's what tickles me—dat I'm a quarter ahead."

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A Long Beat.

After a short residence in this country an Irishman applied for appointment on the police force. While undergoing the civil service examination he was asked among other questions if he knew the distance between New York and San Francisco, and he replied, doubtfully, "Well, I don't know the distance exactly, but if that's goin' to be my beat I don't want the job."

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"Yassas, dat I can! My master he'll give me a dollar tonight to git oats out fer dat boss. But I git him 75 cents' worth an' keep my quarter. Ha, ha!"

MAYORS SAY "FAILS"

Chief Executives Write of Their Experiences.

They Do Not Consider Public Ownership Successful In Their Cities—Two Plants For Sale—One Lasted Only Six Months.

One would expect a mayor to be the last man in a city to say that municipal ownership could not succeed, yet two mayors in next to the most populous state and one in the largest state in the Union have emphatically expressed their views in letters.

Guy A. Bryant, mayor of Princeton, Ill., tells about the experience of his city, as follows:

"Our city has advertised for bids for its electric light plant. Our plant was an old one when it was taken over by the city, and considerable money had to be spent to get it into fair running shape. This was eight years ago. Since then we have not been able to make it a paying investment, as we found the cost of running the plant has exceeded what the cost of lighting our city would be if the light was purchased from a private plant, and it has been deemed advisable to sell it if a satisfactory bid can be had. This is our main reason for disposing of it."

"Municipal ownership of a lighting plant, in my opinion, cannot be made a success in cities of this size."

The mayor of Marengo, Ill., J. H. Patterson, is more brief in summing up the case of that city, but nobody is left in doubt as to where he stands on the question of public ownership. When he wrote Marengo had not yet succeeded in making suitable arrangements for a lease. The tone of the mayor's letter, however, does not indicate that there is any reluctance on the part of the city to get rid of its expensive luxury. The only question seems to be one of terms. Mayor Patterson says:

"We are contemplating a deal whereby the management of said plant will go out of our city's control. Our reason for doing this is that we consider municipal management a complete failure, and the less there is of it the better for all parties concerned."

When C. C. Weaver was mayor of Itasca, Tex., he expressed his opinion of a city trying to work and gave the brief but trying experience of his own city as an example. In a letter on the subject he said:

"Our city bored an artesian well and was fortunate in securing a flow of water of very fine quality and in a quantity about 200 gallons per minute. In connection with this it was decided to build an electric plant. I investigated the cost and probable income of an electric plant and found it a doubtful proposition and recommended that we avoid it, but the aldermen believed it would pay in connection with the waterworks, and the work was begun."

"The pump was installed first and was operated about one month before the electric plant was ready; hence we know how much it cost to operate the pump. When the electric machinery was put in operation our losses began. We operated it a little more than four months and found that it was taking all our income from both the waterworks and electric plant to pay running expenses of the plant. We did not want to shut down, as we knew it would be a dead loss, but we were forced to do something; hence we hit upon the idea of selling the electric part of the plant. It was turned over to me to sell without any reservations as to what I should get. I sold the electric part, but not any part of the waterworks. We lost money in trying to operate the plant and did not get all our money back in the sale. We operated the plant three days less than six months and lost about \$100 per month."

"If you stop to think about it, a city cannot work, but must hire all her help. The hired man does not have the coal bill to pay, nor does he care whether houses are wired or not. He is not much interested in the receipts and does not hustle business; hence the expenses run up while the receipts are neglected. Public money does not hold out like private money. I know it ought to, but I am now serving in my eleventh year as mayor, and I know whereof I speak."

"When we come to figure these things, it is not safe to figure on what ought to be done, but we should face facts and recognize the facts as they really are and not as they should be, but are not."

"An electric plant has to have close personal attention, and the man who superintends it ought to have a very serious interest in the expense account and in the receipts, and this interest should be such as would affect his own pocket."

"You ask if I would advise middle size cities to build electric plants. Now, in answer to this particular question I must say I would not."

Will Be Sworn to if Necessary.

A story that would be regarded as too good to be true if it were not part of the official records of the city comes from Cincinnati. The present street commissioner of that city is a victim of the delusion that it is his business to keep the streets clean, but his efforts are not appreciated by one of the grocers, who sent in a protest to the effect that the streets were so much more noisy after the mud had been removed that he regarded it as detrimental to his business to have the streets kept so clean.

The further a city goes into business the less wisdom it displays.—Jackson (Mich.) Patriot.

THE PUZZLER

No. 33.—Diamond.

1. In Spanish. 2. A beverage. 3. Swarthy inhabitants of northern Africa. 4. Half of a company of soldiers. 5. A black wood. 6. A sauce for fish used in China and Japan. 7. In Spanish.

No. 34.—Illustrated Riddlemerce.



New England Homestead.

No. 35.—Numerical Enigma.

The little boy fell down and cut his 5-6-7. He stopped to pick a 1-2-3-4-5-6-7, and a 1-2-3 frightened him. I saw him 4-5-6-7, but not soon enough to prevent his fall.

No. 36.—Word Syncopations.

1. From cultivation of land take to loiter and leave a plate of slate stones.
2. From a boat take to dress in a fanciful manner and leave inevitable necessity.

No. 37.—Transpositions.

1. We found the **** among the mass of **** in the garden.
2. ****, what is the difference between a **** and a ****?

No. 38.—Missing Words.

The missing words in the following being supplied the initials and finals will give the name of a great poet and a great musician.

"Windy — with its frolic gales,
Filling the woods with musical roar,
While over the water scud wet, white
sails.

And the foam breaks fast on a rough
ice shore."

"Now the goat may climb and crop
The soft grass on Mount —'s top."

"Moonshine and — are left to bury the
dead."

"Which, like the — ugly and venomous,
Bears yet a precious jewel in its head."

"The silvery green of the — shade
Hung down o'er fount and bower."

"And, by all the world forsaken,
Sees he how with zealous care
At the ruthlessness — of iron
A little bird is striving there."

No. 39.—Hidden Trees.

1. What did you do with the roll of tape, Arthur?
2. Take off your cap, please, when you enter the room.

No. 40.—Anagrams.

[Girls' names.]

1. You must not BLAME poor — too severely.
2. Yes, —, I consider IT A CRUEL blow.
3. I AM LESS able to go than you are,

He Knew!

At the commencement of a geography lesson the master of a small school asked one of his pupils to tell him of what the earth consists and was promptly answered, "Land and water."

He then varied the question slightly, that the fact might be impressed on the boy's mind, and asked:

"What, then, do land and water make?" to which came the immediate response:

"Mud!"—Chums.

An Experienced Hand.
Farmer—So you've had some experience, have you?

Youth—Yes, sir.

Farmer—Well, what side of a cow do you sit on to milk?

Youth—The outside—Exchange.

Key to the Puzzler.

1. Hidden. 2. Dented. 3. Tedder. 4. Dermal. 5. Mallet. 6. Lethal. 7. Halser. 8. Serene. 9. Energy.

10. Double Diagonal: Maple Rapid. 1. Mould. 2. Habit. 3. Apple. 4. Table. 5. Raise.

11. Disguised Authors: Field, Hunt, Longfellow, Child, Shelley, Payne, White, Black, Gray, Young, Crabbé, Holmes, Pope, Smiles.

12. Word Building: 1. I. 2. In. 3. Pin. 4. Pint. 5. Point. 6. Potion. 7. Portion.

13. Transposal: Retina, retain.

14. Inclosed Diamond:

- I.

- E X P O S T U L A T E

- S E C R E T A R I A T

- C O M M U N I C A T I

- R E P E T I T I O N S

- R E E N A C T M E N T

- R E C L U S E N E S S

- S H I L L I N G

- P A R A G R A P H I C

- C O N S C I O U S L Y

- C O N C O M I T A N T

- D I S C O V E R I N G

- S I N C E R E N E S S

- IV.

- No. 30.—A Famous Novelist: Cooper.

- No. 31.—Divided Word: Ten-or.

- No. 32.—Reformed Spelling: 1. Campeachy. 2. Cuba. 3. Hayti. 4. Jamai-

- ca. 5. County. 6. Fundy. 7. Panama.

8. Maine.

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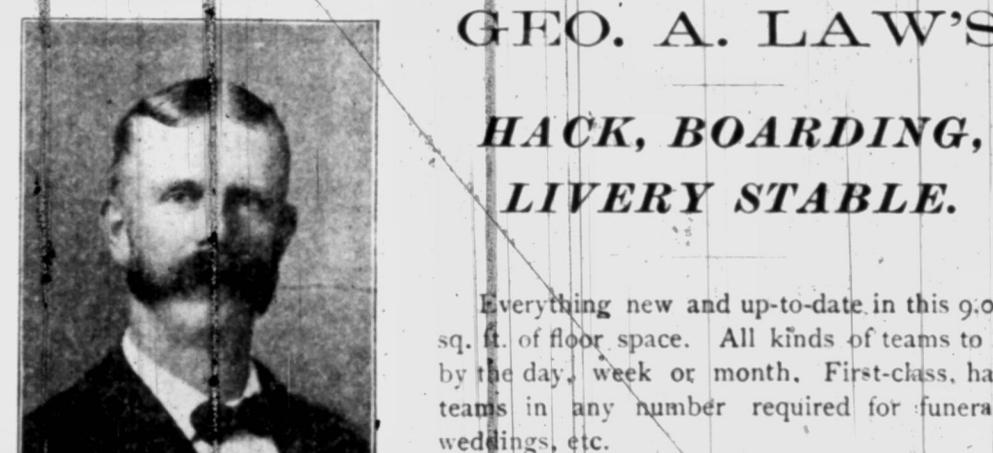
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GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.

Cities Find That Individuals Can Run Their Plants More Economically.

The mayor of Lowell, Ind., is authority for the statement that the municipal electric light plant was sold early September to parties who will install a new plant. Apparently it had been allowed to run down until it was ready for the scrap heap. In 1890 the citizens of Le Roy, N. Y., voted to purchase the electric light plant. After operating it a few months the city took advantage of a technicality and turned it over to the former owners without having made any payment to them. It is stated that while run by the city the operating expenses alone exceeded by 60 per cent the entire cost of lights under private management.

In 1897 a municipal electric light plant was established at Mohawk, N. Y., bonds for \$21,000 being issued in payment therefor. By 1904 the authorities realized that it was costing too much, the generating plant was shut down, and a contract was made with a company to supply current, take full charge of maintaining the street lights and pump the water for the village. This arrangement is said to be satisfactory.

In 1893 Ballard, Wash., installed an electric light plant at an initial cost of \$24,000, which was doubtless increased considerably during the ten years the plant was operated by the city. In 1903 the plant was leased for fifty years to a company which paid \$3,800 for the lease and its franchise and agreed to do a certain amount of pumping for the city waterworks during the continuance of the lease. A well informed citizen of Seattle, to which Ballard has recently been annexed, writes:

"The reason that the city of Ballard sold its municipal lighting plant was that the total income from this plant equaled about 30 per cent of the cost of operating it."

SOLD AT LARGE LOSSES.

Four Towns Find Municipal Plants Are Too Expensive.

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WINDOW-LIGHT.

Susan Hartley Sweet.

The sharp air stings; the stars are dim
That cluster overhead;
Above the far horizon's rim
The moon looks pale with dread;

In the dark wood some evil thing
Seems with the shadows whispering.

The sea's wild choir across the marsh
King notes like dirges drear;
An owl whose voice with cold is harsh
Shouts from a pine-tree near;

The guide-post's text is blurred with frost;
The road across the hill is lost.

All wintery solitude and blight
It is along the road,
Until one ray of window-light
Sends its warm joy abroad;

Into a vagrant's heart it streams,
And wakes a shining flock of dreams.

Somewhere the world is fair and good;
Somewhere the red fire throws
On four fair walls its radiant flood,
On some dear cheek a rose.

Laughter and love, a baby's crow,

Can warm a thousand miles of snow.

And straightway is the frozen drift
Like velvet to the feet,
The winds that through the pine boughs sift
Are like a flute's note sweet,

While still athwart the groping night
Gleams one glad ray of light.

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Mass.

Miss Sweet, who wrote the above poem, died at her home on Oakland ave., Arlington Heights, on Tuesday of last week. It is a fair sample of her poetic temperament which was full of sentiment and the power to make beautiful the commonplace things of life.

Nature Studies.

A discriminating as well as appreciative audience, numbering about two hundred, attended the opening of the course by the Clover Club in Town Hall, Wednesday evening. This made a successful inaugural of the course, while the attraction offered was so entertaining and high class in its nature that every one present congratulated themselves that they were present and had not missed so unique an attraction. Mr. Wm. Lyman Underwood, of Belmont, gave reminiscences of his association with an Indian guide named "Jo," who has been his companion during the twenty years he has visited the Maine woods; drawn there by his instincts as a naturalist, a sportsman and a lover of nature and the woods, as well as its denizens of stream and forest.

Full of humor was Mr. Underwood's account of visit Jo made to his home and a trip he took him on to New York and other places new and strange to the Indian but whose common sense comments on the same were not lacking in appreciation as well as a vein of philosophy. The woodland lore which Mr. Underwood revealed, the studies of animal life he depicted, both wild and domestic, were so simply and interestingly presented that all felt at the conclusion of the lecture that it was all too short. His slides, which are made from photos taken by himself and also colored by him, were the most beautiful of the kind we have ever seen. The coloring was exquisite, the high lights and shadows of the pictures of night scenes being handled with the skill of an accomplished artist, and his distinction between the foliage of the different trees showed a keen sense of color. The speaker was frequently interrupted by the audience breaking in to applaud his views.

Mrs. Jas. A. Bailey, Jr., who has been acting in the capacity as manager of the course, was assisted by Mrs. A. M. Walcott, Mrs. Geo. A. Smith, Mrs. F. V. Noyes, Mrs. Fred F. Low, as ushers. Mrs. H. W. Reed is president of the club.

Burton Holmes' Tourist Series.

Burton Holmes, the eminent lecturer on travel, has chosen for his subjects for his fifteenth year before the public, what might be well called a "Tourist Series," for it is a well-known fact that the average American tourist prefers to visit the cities of the old world before giving any personal study to the wonders of nature within the confines of his native land.

Oliver Wendell Holmes has said that all good Americans, when they die, go to Paris, so Mr. Burton Holmes naturally enough has endeavored this season to reverse the saying of his illustrious namesake, by including "Paris the Magnificent," in his list of subjects, thus bringing Paris to all good Americans who wish to avail themselves of the opportunity.

As the entire series of five finely illustrated lectures is devoted to the comparisons of five utterly different cities, Berlin, Vienna, Paris, London and Fez, the Metropolis of the Moors, have been chosen by Mr. Holmes as offering the greatest interest and variety. His many motion pictures will not only show the principal scenes of activity in these cities, but he

will also show life portraits in motion of Kings, Queens, Presidents and others of the high and mighty in these far away places. Beautifully colored views, for which the Burton Holmes lectures have become noted, will add still further to the pictorial feature of these most enter-taining travelogues.

Mr. Holmes will give two courses at Tremont Temple, exactly alike: Course A will be given on five successive Friday evenings beginning Jan. 17, at 8.15 and Course B, on five successive Saturday afternoons beginning Jan. 18, at 2.30. Sale of seats for both courses began on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at the Box Office, Tremont Temple.

Horace D. Hardy, Esq., our representative to the General Court, has had the honor of being named as the chairman of the committee on Constitutional Amendments in the making up of the committee for this legislative body. He has also been made a member of the Merchantile Affairs Committee.

The Dearth of Game Birds.

If the reports received from many parts of Southern New England are reliable, our upland game birds are fast vanishing. The ruffed grouse or partridge has seldom, if ever, been so scarce generally within the memory of man, as it is to-day. The same is true in regard to the bobwhite or quail in most of this territory. There were some fair flights of woodcock in the fall, but resident woodcock were as scarce as partridges in many sections. An unprecedented dearth of the partridge is reported from Pennsylvania on the south to Michigan, on the west, and from Ontario on the north to New Brunswick on the east. The introduced pheasants alone seem to be holding their own in most localities.

In view of the fact quite generally expressed that our game birds are in danger of extinction, it is time to inquire the cause of the present depletion and to seek a remedy. Undoubtedly civilized man is the principal destructive force in the extermination of game birds. Wherever he is absent, birds increase to the limit of their food supply. Their natural enemies do not decrease their number in the long run; they merely kill off the surplus birds that would otherwise be destroyed by starvation and disease; but when man comes in as a destructive factor the game is eventually exterminated unless stringent regulations are rigidly enforced to prevent it.

Birds will stand a reasonable amount of shooting if they can be protected on their breeding grounds. For hundreds of years the bobolinks and blackbirds have been shot in their migrations through the middle and southern states where they are sold in the market as "reed birds" or "rice birds," and robins are still killed by the thousands in some parts of the south; but we protect them in the north upon their breeding grounds, and we see no sign of their extermination.

Arlington Town Business.

The Selectmen met on Saturday evening, the 4th. A request was received by the Boston Elevated for an additional light on Broadway near the Somerville line, because of the great danger at this point to travellers on the highway. It is probable the request will be granted.

A petition has been signed by the Selectmen requesting state legislation whereby the town may be reimbursed for expenses entailed by insurance against accident in carrying on the gypsy moth work, especially resulting from spraying.

A communication was received from Dr. Hamilton, president of Tufts college, to the effect that people of West Medford are subjected to great inconvenience by the recent change in the operation of the cars on the Medford Hillside line. The Board, however, feels that this is a matter to be settled between the West Medford people and the Boston Elevated, although they see no necessity of operating the line to inconvenience the West Medford people.

The report of the police department was received and placed on file.

The regular blank forms were received from Auditor Churchill to be filled out by the various town departments giving the estimates for the expenses of the departments for the ensuing year, also giving the list of unpaid bills carried over.

Walter H. Peirce, chief of the Fire Department, appeared before the Board with a proposition relative to the grey horse which has been used by the Police Dept. The horse will hereafter be used by the Fire Dept. as an auxiliary horse.

Inspector of wires LeBaron was before the Board advocating new lights in front of Town Hall said to be much needed.

The annual report of R. W. Pond, the inspector of buildings, was received and accepted by the board, this being the first of the annual reports of the town officials to be sent in for publication.

Arthur Birch, of 74 Wollaston avenue, appeared before the board asking that coasting be permitted on Wollaston av. The coasting was stopped early in the winter by order of the board owing to the danger resulting therefrom, but after Mr. Birch had been heard, the matter was taken under advisement.

Ice Hockey Games.

Hill's pond on the edge of Menotomy Rocks Park has been the only safe place for skating up to the first of this week. On Friday afternoon of last week every inch of ice,—that rare and scarce article up to this time,—was occupied. The surface of the small pond was literally black with skaters, and among them were several hockey teams, including one from Harvard, attempting to get in some practice work.

On Saturday, the 4th, the hockey team in the Inter-scholastic League, representing Arlington High, went to Milton and played the High school team of that town. Arlington commenced its series of games with the good luck of other days follow-

ing it. It won from Milton in a score of 4 to 1. The line up and score is given below:

ARLINGTON HIGH	MILTON HIGH
Murray f.....	f Poole
Sloan f.....	f Horner
Clifford f.....	f Anderson
Churchill f.....	f Vose (Ross)
Bullard ep.....	ep Fuller
Peirce p.....	p Whittemore (Vose)
Dunbar g.....	g Clark (Whittemore)
Score—Arlington 4. Milton 1.	
Goals—Sloan 3. Clifford, Ross. Referees—	
Furber. Umpire—Sears and Sprague. Timer—	
Fuller. Time—15 minute halves.	

Friday afternoon, the 3d, the inter-preparatory league ice hockey series was opened with a game between Cambridge Latin school and Brookline High school teams on Hill's pond, resulting in a victory for the former by a score of 3 to 0. For the winners Goodale, Close, Reeves and Blackall played an excellent game and for Brookline Stocum, Boyd and Rogers were the stars.

On Monday afternoon Arlington High hockey team defeated its Medford rivals on Brooks pond, Medford, 7 to 0. Arlington made three goals in the first period and four in the second period. Capt. Rob Clifford was the star of the game. The only time that the Medford team made a showing was in the middle of the second period when Ottley passed the puck to Fahey in front of the Medford goal and the two rushed it straight up the ice to the Arlington goal, Fahey missing the shot for goal by a narrow margin. The summary:

ARLINGTON	MEDFORD
Murray f.....	f Hamilton
Scamell f.....	Fahey
Churchill f.....	Ottley
Smart f.....	Perrian
Sloan f.....	
Clifford f.....	
Bullard ep.....	ep Johnson
Peirce p.....	p Cosgrove
Dunbar g.....	g Coulson
Score, Arlington 7. Goals made, by Clifford	
3, Sloan 2, Churchill, Murray. Referees, Taylor.	
Umpire, Burrell. Timer, Long. Time	
15 min. halves.	

Marriages.

MURRAY-GILLIS—In Cambridge, Jan. 3, at the home of John A. Moynahan, by Rev. Samuel McNaughan, John L. Murray and Flora A. Gillis, of Lexington.

Deaths.

REED—In Lexington, Jan. 6, Sylvia J. W., wife of Hammond Reed, aged 72 years, 8 months, 24 days.

MANDERSON—In Lexington, January 6, Anna, widow of Hugh Manderson, aged 73 years.

FOSTER—In Arlington, January 6th, Sarah H., widow of the late Dr. Holger Foster, aged 83 years.

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ARLINGTON HEIGHTS LOCALS.

—Mr. Fred Curry has been absent in Montvale on a business trip.

—Miss Cordell, of Bangor, Maine, has been a guest of Mrs. George Hill.

—The Bridge Club meets on Thursday, Jan. 16, with Miss Mayzie Simpson.

—There was skating on the reservoir the first of the week. The ice was smooth as glass, but we should imagine not too safe.

—The Sunshine Club met Wednesday with Mrs. Edw. I. Downing. The club meets next week with Mrs. Walter K. Hutchinson, Mass. Ave., Arlington center.

—Mrs. Wm. H. Ware has been having quite a serious trouble from a cut on one of her hands which threatened to be a case of blood poisoning. Mrs. Ware has also been a victim of the grippe.

—The Clover Comedy Club gave "The Doctor" at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Boylston street, Boston, Tuesday evening, before a large and appreciative audience. This was the club's fourth appearance before the association.

—The Choral Club, under the leadership of its director, Mr. Stone, met Monday evening in the Arlington Heights Reading room. There were between twenty-five and thirty present. The club has begun practice for a concert that will be given some time in February.

—Ladies Guild of Park Avenue Cong' church has elected the following officers to serve for the year:—Prest., Mrs. Geo. H. Averill; vice-prest., Mrs. George A. Buntin; secretary, Mrs. L. D. Bradley; treas., Miss Margaret Henderson. Work Committee, Mrs. Elder, Mrs. Miles, Mrs. Darves, Mrs. Goodwillie; Flower committee, Mrs. Church, Mrs. Nicoll, Mrs. Whilton; Visiting committee, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Hadley, Mrs. Noble, Mrs. Simonds.

—Forty-nine members of Park Avenue Cong' church were present on last Friday evening and answered to the roll-call conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. G. Taylor, and clerk, Mr. Edw. Nicol. Many who were unable to be present sent words of greeting. The pastor had a word of encouragement and advice for the beginning of the new year and other appropriate remarks were made by Mr. Wm. H. Morrison. At the conclusion of the meeting many lingered to enjoy an hour of social intercourse.

—The A. O. U. W. Lodge, No. 77, held a jollification on last Friday evening to celebrate the lodge's return to Crescent Hall for its meeting place. The lodge for many years met at the Heights, but for the past two or three years has been meeting in G. A. R. Hall. A committee, composed of Messrs. R. S. Torry and C. Jukes, had the evening in charge and secured the Crescent Hill Band, which furnished music throughout the evening. A temporary bowling alley was constructed and the sport was participated in by members, also other games. Refreshments consisted out an evening full of enjoyment for the large company present, which included many guests. One application for membership was received at this time. The next meeting of the lodge occurs Jan. 17.

—The attendance has been unusually large at the union meetings held this week in the different churches in observance of the "Week of Prayer." The services opened on last Sabbath evening in the Methodist church when the sermon was by Rev. J. G. Taylor, of the Park Avenue church. Monday evening there were fully two hundred present at the meeting held in the same church, when the sermon was delivered by Rev. Mr. Baird, of the Baptist church. Tuesday and Wednesday meetings were held in Park Avenue church with Revs. Mr. Reiner and J. G. Taylor preaching. Mr. Reiner also delivered the sermon at the Baptist church, Thursday evening. This (Friday) evening Mr. Taylor will address the meeting at the same place. The services will be concluded on Sunday, in the Park Avenue church, with the sermon by Rev. Mr. Baird. The services of the week have been enhanced by the presence of the gospel singers, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. King, of Pittsburg, Penn., who have led in the song service which has opened each of the meetings and have also contributed solo and duet numbers. The testimonial services that have concluded each meeting have been one of the most satisfying features and no doubt much spiritual good will be the result of these services that have been attended by a good representation from all three of the churches joining in the meetings.

—Thursday evening Miss Daisy Swadkins gave a pupil's recital at the Methodist church, assisted by Miss Zaida Gaines, reader, and Master LaBurton Hulbert, violinist. The church was filled with the parents, and friends of the pupils and teacher. Miss Swadkins' musical temperament was displayed in the unique and enjoyable program arranged for her pupils, who did their teacher credit. There were two parts to the program and in the first half the pupils were assisted by enjoyable recitations given by Miss Gaines and the violin playing of Master Hulbert. The second half was a kindergarten symphonic poem, executed on the piano by Anna Hendrick, Doris Johnson, Gladys Manley, Vera Sanford, Americo Chaves, Undine Weston, Dorothy Hulbert, and Florence Dacey. It was Hoffman's Story of the Nut-cracker and the Mouse-King; music by Carl Reinecke. Other pupils having a part in the evening's programme were Clarence Whelpley, Vera Kenney, Farnham Hardling, Herbert Eaton. The entire program was in keeping with the Christmas season just past. Miss Swadkins gave the prelude, "By the Fireside," in the Christmas Suite by Turner. Miss Swadkins is an organist of ability, and that she is also a conscientious and thorough teacher of the piano-forte was demonstrated in the musical on Thursday.

—One of the first duties at the commencement of the New Year is to pay our debts and one of the foremost which most people are strongly inclined to neglect, in many cases through carelessness, is our newspaper bills. We are expected to pay our local paper and others in advance. It costs our editors more than we realize to furnish us each week with so clean, bright and newsy a paper and we should cheerfully pay for it.

—Monday evening the Men's Club held a preliminary meeting at Follen vestry, next week Tuesday, Jan. 14th, at Follen vestry, and after the supper Mrs. Jarley's wax works will be presented. Come one and all and bring your two and one-half dimes and you will aid the church and give your stomach a new lease of life with the old-fashioned digestible food, also rejuvenate your brains with viewing such beautiful works of art.

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Between sixty and seventy were present.

The object of forming the club was outlined to promote sociability and for improvement. Speeches were made and it was voted to hold the next meeting on the third Monday evening in February, when officers will be chosen and by-laws made. Mr. John H. Wright prepared a delicious clam chowder which all the gentlemen enjoyed.

—New Year's eve Miss Pearl E. Wright invited her many friends to a mistletoe party which was held at her pleasant home. About thirty were present. They played whist and Miss Inger Christiansen received the 1st ladies' prize. Mr. Ernest MacFarland the 1st gent's, Miss Katherine Armstrong the booby. They enjoyed music and other games. Mistletoe was over every door and if a girl was under it after the old year was out and the new year in, you can guess the result. Ice cream, cake and candy were served and they remained until the wee small hours of morning. At their departure the air echoed with the "Happy New Year" salutation.

Rev. Mr. MacDonald preached on "The certainties in religion,"—the fatherhood of God, Christ as an ideal, salvation by character. Every church acknowledges these to be true, but in many instances the minor points cover up the greater. In one church it is salvation in a special way. In another stress is placed on a

master, was the first to extend help to those who made the effort for delivery in a section hard to cover, with few men and a small appropriation; but the work was accomplished, and on January 1st, 1898, free delivery was a fact. April 19, 1898, the Heights station was made independent as a postal centre, and the people who had opposed free delivery (about forty of them), became enthusiastic in praise of the service.

—Of course there were mistakes at first, as the man sent from the Boston office did not know the people, or the streets and houses were improperly numbered or lacked numbers. It takes a genius and practical application of genius to mark out new lines of work and make them a success. It was fortunate for the residents of this section that a man like John J. Murray was soon sent to straighten out the tangle made by the first worker, and it is a pleasure to note that John J. Murray completes ten years of service on this route, with ten full years of free delivery and an independent post office at Arlington Heights.

James A. Blanchard, a Grand Army souvade and member of Post 36 of Arlington, was made postmaster in 1900. On account of failing health, he was succeeded by Mrs. Blanchard, July 1, 1906, who is to-day postmistress of the Arlington Heights station, and a better, brighter, more competent or willing official is not to be found in the official ranks of our government. Mrs. Blanchard is a member of the Woman's Relief Corps and has a father living (Mr. William Smith), who has celebrated his 99th birthday; but Mrs. Blanchard can provide for all the demands upon her in the line of duty, placing those demands in other hands and giving herself to the service of the Post Office department. It is a tiny office, so far as space goes, but there is a large quantity of mail daily and three carriers to distribute it. The working force of this office is very fine and it carries out to perfection all the details of a perfect service. The public do not realize what is done to produce such excellent service as that of our postal department. The Arlington Heights station is officered as follows: Mrs. Sarah A. Blanchard, clerk in charge; Daniel J. Sullivan, clerk; carriers, Messrs. John J. Murray, Ernest C. Andrews and Frank H. Stone.

Mr. John J. Murray, the first letter carrier, was tendered a reception at his home, 137 Warner street, on the evening of January 2, recognizing his long and faithful service in this section, where he is very popular among the residents and he is also popular and appreciated by his comrades. Free delivery of mail-matter has spread wonderfully within ten years, but Arlington Heights has to work for her share, and it has been a benefit all along the line. MARION A. MACBride.

—A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Arlington, bounded and described as follows:—Southwestly by Cottage avenue, 110 feet; northwesterly by land of Edward Christensen, 110 feet; northerly by land of John H. Henderson and of Robert Henderson, Jr., 110 feet; south-easterly by land of John J. Henderson and of Robert Henderson, Jr., one hundred (100) feet, containing five thousand (5000) square feet of land.

—Petitioner claims as an easement appurtenant to said parcel of land the right to use for all purposes for which public streets are commonly used so much of said Cottage avenue (a private way), which is shown on a plan by G. E. Ahern, Esq., filed with said petition, as extends from Houghtaling street, southeastly line of said parcel extended across said way, said way being thirty (30) feet in width.

—The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

—You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the third day of February, A. D., 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why the grant of said land should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or from entering into it.

—Witness, LEONARD J. JONES, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of January in the year nineteen hundred and eight.

Attest with Seal of said Court.

CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

TELEPHONE TALKS

Believing that exact knowledge promotes co-operation, the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company is publishing a series of brief expositions of some phases of telephony, for the benefit of itself, and, as it hopes, for the benefit of all telephone users.

"CENTRAL" AND HER WORK

The telephone company is engaged in what has become one of the most important of public services. Its purpose is to put people into communication with each other in the quickest way possible and to maintain communication without interruption. Above all, it endeavors to perform this function—always performed under exacting conditions and frequently in the face of considerable difficulties—with unfailing courtesy.

The New England company, having provided a most efficient plant for the needs of each individual community, trains its operators painstakingly before it allows them to handle the public's business, and supervises their work closely after they are assigned to the regular switchboards of its exchanges. Applicants for positions as operators must meet high personal standards before they are accepted even as students. The care with which the raw material, so to speak, is selected appears in the fact that only 60 per cent of the applicants who present themselves are finally employed. One of the advantages of the training system is that it enables a young woman who finds herself in the Post Office department. It is a tiny office, so far as space goes, but there is a large quantity of mail daily and three carriers to distribute it. The working force of this office is very fine and it carries out to perfection all the details of a perfect service.

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—Witness, LEONARD J. JONES, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this seventh day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eight.

Attest with Seal of said Court.

CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Eliza R. Patterson, late of Lexington, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

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LAND COURT.

To John J. Henderson and Robert Henderson, Jr., of Cambridge, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; Laurits Christensen, Mary J. McComb and Catherine Gallagher of Arlington, in said County of Middlesex; Warren W. Rawson, trustee under the will of Warren Rawson, late of said Arlington, deceased; and to all whom it may concern:—

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said defendant to John H. Jones, of Lexington, in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of January, A. D., 1908, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why the grant of said land should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or from entering into it.

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WASHINGTON LETTER

[Special Correspondence.]

The Congressional library, now the third in point of size in the world, contained 1,433,848 books and pamphlets and some 900,000 other articles at the close of the last fiscal year. The net gain in miscellaneous books and pamphlets during the year was 54,604. The most notable single acquisition—not included in the count—was the celebrated Yudin library of works on Russia and Siberia. Though nominally a purchase, this collection of over 80,000 volumes was practically a gift to the library, since the owner parted with it for little more than one-third the sum expended in gathering it.

Addition to Library.

The purchase is considered noteworthy as an indication of the broadening scope of the library and its increasing value to scholars. There is no other collection on Russia and Siberia of such size in America, and perhaps none so valuable in Europe outside of Russia. It is rich in local history, ethnology and institutional history. The material includes certain manuscript records of the early Russian settlements in Alaska.

Another important acquisition is a collection of 9,000 works on Japan, mainly in the Japanese language. The books and manuscripts were selected in Japan by Professor Asakawa of Yale, whose purpose was to secure a good working collection for the student of Japanese literature, history and institutions.

Important Gifts.

Among the important gifts were the Shoemaker and the Kauffmann collections and valuable manuscripts and papers of the period of Washington, Jefferson, Madison and Monroe by bequest from J. Henley Smith. Other gifts and purchases of especial value, including a collection of forty-six rare books and 113 prints presented by Mrs. Rilligey Hunt, are also listed.

Valuable Manuscripts.

The reports of the various divisions are summarized, while that of the manuscripts division is printed in extenso as an appendix. In this field among the notable additions by gift were the letters of Justice John McLean of the supreme court, the papers of Chaplain Joseph C. Thomas of the Christian commission in the civil war, two Revolutionary orderly books, a series of twenty-five papers relating to the trial of Colonel Thomas Butler and thirty-two letters addressed to Cyrus W. Field. The purchases included the letters of Judge Joseph Holt of Washington and of Governor William Plumer of New Hampshire, the papers of Edward McPherson, 300 letters of Thaddeus Stevens and many other items of interest. Under the law of 1903 the Pickett papers (diplomatic records of the Confederate states) were transferred to the library from the treasury department and interesting Confederate and other records from the postoffice department.

Incense in Documents.

The division of documents shows an increase of 30 per cent in the number of volumes and pamphlets handled, the total being 33,426. Special attention has been given in the past year to developing the collections of foreign documents by obtaining the volumes necessary to complete sets in the library. The report contains a list of the countries with which international exchange relations have been established.

Among the special collections to which large additions were made during the year is the maps division, which now has a total of 100,000 pieces; the music division, which now has a total of nearly 500,000, and the prints division, which has a total of 255,000.

Would Drink at Street Tables.

Men who promenade Washington's wide thoroughfares with all the languid ease of the Parisian saunterer and who would dearly like to be called boulevardiers have a complaint. Whereas the strollers in the Champs Elysees and Tuilery H.C.M. tables for the serving of refreshments in the American capital is destitute of such attractions. They want the avenues lined with booths where coffee or tea at least could be served. In the opinions of the young diplomats the American capital never can be truly great until this defect is remedied. As it is, they may walk for miles and find no spot where they may revive their failing strength except with alcoholic drinks.

Smiths in the House.

Despite the fact that William Alden went to the senate and George W. of Illinois died, there are still five Smiths in the house. One of the new ones is Madison R. Smith of Farmington, Mo., who is both materialist and idealist. He says in the new congressional directory he "began the active practice of the law in 1877, since when his entire time has been devoted to the profession, not merely for the emoluments, but for an unselfish love of its study."

Decorating the Station.

Although the sum of \$13,000,000 already has been expended on the Union railway station, it is estimated that \$5,000,000 more will be needed before the terminal and the approach can be finished. The rotunda will not be completed in the next two months, although the work is going on rapidly. The scaffold in the rotunda is the largest in the world and cost \$3,000. Contractors say it costs \$300 to move the mammoth structure, on which 500 laborers can work at once.

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Cars leave BEDFORD for Billerica and Lowell 6:22 a.m., and every half hour until 10:22 p.m. For Lexington and Arlington Heights 6:37 a.m., and every 15 and 30 minutes until 11:22 p.m. For Concord, Maynard and Hudson 6:37 a.m., and every hour until 9:37 p.m. 10:37 p.m. for Maynard only.

Cars leave BILLERICA for Bedford, Lexington, Arlington Heights and Sullivan Square 6:45 a.m., and every half hour until 10:45 p.m.

All cars connect for Waltham until 10:30 p.m. Cars leaving at 10:30 p.m. miss the hour connect for Concord.

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Opinions of Eminent Englishmen
on Municipal Ownership.

Increasing Debt and Taxes, Failure to Provide for the Future, Reckless Expenditure and Difficulty in Keeping Good Men as Officials Are Some of the Results They Note—The Open Door for Socialism.

The Yorkshire Observer quotes the mayor of Bradford as saying in a public meeting that on account of the great demands upon the time of members of the council it was difficult to get good men to enter or remain in that body. Yet the corporation had £11,000,000 invested in its undertakings, which must be managed in some way or other, good, bad or indifferent."

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WOMAN AND FASHION

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inches of fur two and one-half inches

in width, three yards of ribbon about

two inches wide, one pair of wings, a

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buckle.

This exquisite toque can also be com-

posed of flowers and green leaves.

For this design procure twelve mi-

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velvet, one-quarter of a yard of light

green velvet and the same quantity of

dark green velvet to harmonize with

the tints of the leaves. Make the

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She's a Cornelia of Chicago.

One of Chicago's richest young matrons is a modern Cornelia. Within a few weeks she will be able to point to her children and say with a literalness of meaning that was not in the Roman dame's utterance, "These are my jewels." A prominent sculptor of the Windy City is designing for her a necklace in which are small gold medallion portraits of her four young stars. The little disks already have been modeled and reproduced faithfully the charm of the childlike features. One will be set at the center of the front, one at each side, and the fourth will hang as a pendant. Each is about the size of a ten cent piece. Links of odd and beautiful design will connect the little disks, and above the pendant the family monogram in design harmonizing with the links will be introduced.

Choice in Gowns.

The woman who is buying just one gown, and that a handsome one, should pay special attention to the fit of her costume, for this is a season when one cannot take many liberties with the set of a gown. Fashion says that the shape may be either empire or princess, but both of these are rather difficult for the home dressmaker to manage, and if it is a good thing to have the fitting done by a professional, even though the trimming may be managed at home. The hips and shoulders must be very snug and the waist molded as though in wax.

For the Little Girl's Party.

This pretty party frock is for a little girl of ten or twelve years and is a very lovely one of

Her Titian Rival.

By MARTHA COBB SANFORD.

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figure of attraction as she stood at the side of the steamer waving her handkerchief gayly, all unconscious of her picturesqueness as the sun crept under the brim of her hat and made a bright glory of her hair.

"By George, isn't she a stunner? Zephine could not help hear a young man exclaim.

She was filled with confusion and was ready to see her patroness approaching.

"Let me introduce my son Ralph," Mrs. Maxwell said proudly, laying her hand on the arm of the young man who had just complimented Zephine so spontaneously. "I expect you two to get on famously together."

Ralph extended his hand with willing cordiality, but Zephine stood transfixed with astonishment. At last she looked at Mrs. Maxwell appealingly.

"I thought he was a little boy," she gasped helplessly.

The explanations that followed were chaotic at best. Mrs. Maxwell supposed, of course, that Zephine knew of her son Ralph Maxwell, the artist, the popular portrait painter of children and modern maidens. Why, had she not mentioned especially how he painted all women with red hair? That is why she had thought it would give him particular pleasure to have the third member of their party possess this distinctive mark of beauty.

And as for Ralph, why he himself had been entirely ignorant of the whole plot until that very morning, when his mother had revealed it to him, telling him with boundless enthusiasm that she had asked Miss Holliday, a charming young woman, to accompany them on their trip so that he would have some one to share his ardor enthusiasm with and to join him in his tireless jaunts in search of picturesque children to pose for him.

While this rapid fire of elucidation was going on Zephine looked from one to the other in her effort to comprehend the situation. Finally she burst out laughing a trifle hysterical, perhaps, but still it was the vivacious Zephine coming to her rescue.

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Ralph made no reply, but gazed at her so steadily that at last Zephine was compelled to raise her eyes.

"I could love you in spite of either," was the unexpected declaration that he made in response to her questioning glance, "but fortunately I'm not put to the test. All the dyes in the world couldn't produce the matchless brightness and beauty of your hair, dear. Why did you try to deceive me, Zephine?"

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NEW ZEALAND'S RAILWAYS.

Keen Financial Analysis by Professor Le Rossignol of Denver.

A recent issue of Moody's Magazine contains a thorough analysis of "New Zealand Railway Finance" by Professor J. E. Le Rossignol of the University of Denver. The writer points out that the New Zealand government, which owns the railways, "borrows money at 3.75 per cent and latterly at 4 per cent for the maintenance of railways which earn less than .50 per cent upon the capital cost, and this year's deficit of over 2.25 per cent must ultimately fall upon the taxpayers."

Commenting on a tabular exhibit of the finances, Professor Le Rossignol says:

"From these figures it is clear that the capital cost of the roads had increased out of all proportion; the increase in mileage, that the working expenses have increased much faster than the gross earnings and that the net loss in ten years has amounted to the enormous sum of £4,380,147, or more than \$21,000,000, and this in a time of great prosperity, which cannot be expected to last forever."

After showing that fares average about the same as in this country the service is described as follows:

"There are no night trains, and the service on most of the lines is rather infrequent. The best service in New Zealand is that between Christchurch and Dunedin, where there are two express trains daily, traveling at a speed of twenty-five miles an hour. On most of the other lines express trains travel from fifteen to twenty-one miles an hour and ordinary trains from ten to fourteen miles an hour."

The author goes into considerable detail in regard to freight rates, which he considers to average about five times those of the United States. The most serious charge against the management is that it lends itself to political uses:

"Politics has had altogether too much to do with the construction of roads, the appointment and promotion of officials, the frequency of service, the fixing of rates and the departmental administration in general. Railways have frequently been built for the sake of securing votes rather than traffic and business has been so often subordinated to politics that it is no wonder that the net returns are political rather than financial in their character."

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DEAD OR DYING.

Reaction Is Slow, but Sure, Against Civic Commercialism.

The mayor of Holland, Mich., writes that negotiations are on foot to have a private company supply the lighting. It would cost \$30,000 to put the municipal plant in condition for efficient service:

At a citizens' meeting recently held in Trenton, Mich., the city council was instructed to enter into negotiations for the sale of the electric light plant.

Chester, Ill., has voted against the purchase of the waterworks system.

Manitowoc, Wis., recently voted two to one, against purchasing the water works and four to three in favor of submitting the question of rates to the state commission. Only about a quarter of the regular vote was polled, which is not encouraging to advocates of the "referendum."

By a vote of 329 to 24 the people of Washington, Ind., rejected a scheme for remodeling the municipal lighting plant notwithstanding the alternative presented by the common council of providing for extensive repairs or eventually abandoning the business of municipal lighting. The plant has been behind year after year, although liberal appropriations have been made for its support, and repairs have been neglected till it is little better than a mass of junk. An expert who recently examined it decided that it would require \$28,000 to put the plant in good running order, and the people were asked to vote on the question of expense. The negative vote means that the plant will be sold.

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The Tax Rate Is Indiana.

Indiana is one of the few states that have a bureau of statistics. Its latest report shows that the tax rate in the twenty-eight cities which operate their own light and water plants is \$1.96, while the rate in the other fifty-seven cities is only \$1.77.

HUMOR OF THE HOUR.

Always the Way.

Tommy had been invited to dine at a learned professor's house, and his mother was anxious for his good behavior at table. She gave him elaborate instructions.

"Well, Tommy, how did you get on?" she asked on his return. "You are quite sure you didn't do anything impolite?"

"Well, no, ma—at least nothing to speak of."

The mother's anxiety was aroused.

"Ah, then, there was something wrong. Now tell me all about it, Tommy."

"Oh, it wasn't much. You see, I was trying to eat my meat when it slipped off the plate onto the floor."

"Oh, my dear boy! What ever did you do?"

"I just said sort of carelessly, 'That's always the way with tough meat,' and went on with my dinner!"—*Pick-Me-Ups*.

Had It Down Fine.

The housewife was showing her new chambermaid through the upstairs leading down into the rear yard.

"Mary," said she, stepping out on the landing, "whenever you wish to pass down to the back yard go down this way."

Just then the speaker slipped and was precipitated with a great clattering to the bottom.

"Are yez burnt, mum?" cried the affrighted chambermaid, staring down from above.

"No; it's nothing," came the return as the disheveled mistress rose to her feet in proof.

"Thinity've got it down foine, mum, but th' job's too strenuous fer me,"—*Judge*.

Extra Rest.

"I accidentally tore one of the curtains this morning," said the roomer. "What's to be done about it?"

"I'll tell the landlady," replied the chambermaid, "and she'll put it down as extra rent."—*Detroit Tribune*.

She Was Hopeful.

"But," said the timid young man, "if we elope, darling, will your parents ever forgive us?"

"Yes, dear," answered the fair maid.

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Overcoat at School.

"Willie Green," said the teacher, "you will define the word memory."

"Memory," said Willie, "is what we get with."

Perhaps She Did.

"Did your daughter inherit her talent for drawing?"

"Well, I never thought of it before, but it may be that she did. One of my brothers is a dentist."—*Houston Post*.

He Pays.

She—What do you want for a Christmas present, hubby, dear?

He—Nothing, thank you. The recent panic compels me to economize this year.—*Los Angeles Times*.

A Question of Honor.

Sadly the pickpocket surveyed the interior of a fat purse.

"Nothing but samples," he muttered.

"Is there no honor among women?"—*Philadelphia Ledger*.

A Real Difficulty.

New Cook (menacingly)—Ma'am, I ain't a woman to mince matters.

Mistress (timidly)—Gracious me, cook, then how can you make pie?

Baltimore American.

Obliged to Hustle.

Hewitt—Gruet is a hustler. He is always on the move.

Jewett—He has to be on the move. He never pays his rent.—*New York Press*.

What He Learns at School.

He can weave a raffia basket;

Make a evening pasteboard box;

Cut a Noah's ark from paper;

Fashion bent wire weathercocks;

He can mold a wobbly pitcher;

ARLINGTON LOCAL ITEMS.

Continued from page 1.

Officer Joseph Cahalin had a tussle with a group of boys at one o'clock on date of Jan. 4th, their suspicious actions attracting his attention as they stood at the corner of Grove street and Mass. avenue, waiting for a Boston bound car. Only one of the boys escaped him in making the arrest and placing them aboard a car. They gave the names of Alfonzo Preziosi, aged 18, of 19 Minot street; Raffaele Festa, aged 15, of 23 Prince street, and Samuel Panarella, aged 19, of 152 Prince street, all of Boston. Later in the morning they were in the police court at Cambridge, charged with stealing hens and held in \$100 each on a continuance of the case to this Saturday, the 11th. Later the hens were identified by Mr. George N. Winn of Mystic street as his property. Mr. Winn has been the victim of hen thieves for some months back, and he has tried all means to capture the thieves. The fowl taken Saturday morning were of pedigree stock and were valuable, and Mr. Winn identified his birds by bands on their legs. Officer Cahalin did an excellent piece of work in capturing these young delinquents.

The installations of Post 36 have of late years been public and furnished an interesting entertainment for a large number of friends and well-wishers. There was a sort of culmination of these events on Thursday evening, first because of the high station of officers officiating and second the invited guests. The town departments were represented, some of our pastors were there and delegations from other G.A.R. organizations swelled the number present to the full capacity of the accommodations. The exercises were inaugurated with a fine banquet by Caterer N. J. Hardy, at 7 o'clock, members of Camp 45, S. of V., officiating as waiters. This feature brought all in touch in a most pleasing way. The formal exercises opened promptly and the officers were installed with a perfection in detail only possible after long experience such as has been the lot of Past-Department Commanders John E. Gilman and William M. Olin, who were fortunately secured for this service. The full roster is as follows:

Commander.—John Ewart.
Senior Vice-Com.—H. W. Berthrong.
Junior Vice-Com.—Henry Clark.
Q. M.—S. C. Frost.
Surgeon.—David Chinery.
Chaplain.—W. A. P. Willard.
Adjutant.—Henry Bradley.
Patriotic Instructor.—W. A. P. Willard.
O. D.—George H. Barnes.
O. G.—Fred C. Floyd.
Q. M. Sgt.—Alex H. Seaver.

Comrade C. S. Parker was spokesman for the Post in presenting the returning Commander Henry Bradley (he has served three terms) with a Past-Com. gold badge and then the fun of the evening began. Past-Dept. Com's. Olin and Gilman exchanged compliments to the amusement of all; Selectman J. Howell Crosby spoke in a graceful way of "ow the G. A. R. appealed to him; Rev. James Yeames as usual had a thoughtful word enclosed in a setting of witty stories, and other speakers contributed. These exercises were interspersed with instrumental music by Post 36 orchestra and exchanges of vocal compliments between Olin's Gang and a local chorus. Rev. Harry Fay Fister acted as chaplain for the occasion.

Mrs. Hammon Reed Deceased.

To relatives as well as friends the death of Mrs. Reed came as a shock which could only be likened to a stunning blow in the dark. But the sadness and suffering for her irreparable loss is for family and friends rather than the sweet and strong woman who would have had it so rather than a long period of suffering and helplessness. Mrs. Reed would have borne the suffering uncomplainingly, but to one of her nature the helplessness would have been a severe cross, so there is great consolation in the thought that her sudden death may have come as a welcome relief to one of her temperaments. For several years Mrs. Reed has been an invalid from rheumatic troubles and a great sufferer at times, although her unremitting cheerfulness and that brightness of intellect and spirit which she always showed towards her friends and dear ones, was oftentimes misleading and gave no real inkling of the many hours of suffering, also of self-denial she had to constantly practice. We can think of no one to whom a state of invalidism would be more trying than to Mrs. Reed, for she was naturally an active woman, interested in all the affairs of the day, the church, literary and social life of the town, and as long as her health allowed was actively engaged in all these affairs. To us personally Mrs. Reed was always a help and inspiration and her sympathy was never lacking. Her friendship will be a precious memory.

Mrs. Reed suffered an attack of pleurisy at her home on Waltham street, Jan. 3d, which developed in pleuro-pneumonia, and she passed away on Monday night, Jan. 6th, at eleven o'clock. Mrs. Reed was born at Milford, N. H. She was Sylvia J., daughter of Samuel Wadsworth of that place. Oct. 19th, 1856, she married Mr. Hammon Reed, a native of Lexington, and came to this town to reside on the Reed farm at No. Lexington, which had been in Mr. Reed's family for many years. Later the farm was sold, then Mr. Reed built the present handsome residence of the family on Waltham street. Here in 1906 the golden wedding was celebrated, surrounded by the family in which there has not been a break, till this time, since Mrs. Reed's mother died twenty years ago. Mrs. Reed died on the twentieth anniversary of her mother's death almost to a day, aged seventy-two years. This is a remarkable record in several respects. Mrs. Reed identified herself with the Unitarian church during Rev. Mr. Livermore's pastorate and the family has been prominently identified with the parish ever since. She was also one of the original members of the Monday Club and in fact was in touch with all the literary and social interests of Lexington.

Her life has been blessed by happiness and prosperity which she has seen extended to her children, who, with the dear grandchildren, she has ever had about her to enjoy and minister to. Not only was she a mother to her own children, but to the late J. Fred Hutchinson and his sister, who were orphaned in early childhood, when they came to live with their aunt. The children of the family are Geo. H. Reed, Esq., Mrs. Fredk. K. Brown, Mr. Wm. W. Reed. The married life of Mr. and Mrs. Reed has been an ideal one and this breed in more than fifty years of unimpaired love and devotion is in itself a memorial to a life as nearly perfect as is often given to

mortals to experience, while the loss to the one who remains is only known in all its poignancy by him.

The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon, at quarter of three, at the residence on Waltham street. It was in charge of undertaker A. A. Marshall, Rev. John Mills Wilson, minister of Unitarian church, made the services uplifting and comforting and the selections by the Weber Quartet were not only beautifully sung but were in close harmony with the memorial nature of the services. A profusion of flowers bespoke the wide circle of friends who were touched by this death. The burial was in the family lot in Lexington cemetery.

LEXINGTON LOCAL NEWS.

A correspondent to the Boston Globe has the following in regard to the moths in Lexington:

"The now serious question of dealing with the gypsy and brown-tail moth pest in the town is exciting much comment throughout the town and many stringent means are talked over especially by owners of wood lots who clean their trees and have neighbors who do not. As a result the bugs come on to the cleaned places and cause much damage and expense for the man who is trying to save his trees. During the past season the pests made great headway in the town in spite of the fact that tree warden Cornelius Wellington had a large gang of men at work all the time. This fall he issued an appeal to the owners of wooded lots to help him fight the pests but to all appearances this appeal fell by the wayside, as many nests can be seen on the trees of both brown-tail and gypsy moths.

The pests have killed many of the trees, and now these can be plainly seen with the bark falling off from the action of the elements. Many of the citizens are of the opinion that the town should make some by-law to the effect that these places should be cleaned and give the tree warden the power to enforce the law. In this way the sections would be looked after and in a short time the pests could be got under control, so that it would be less expense to fight their progress. As it is now it is almost a hopeless task to try to clean the trees and the trees along the highways are about the only ones looked after."

Ex-Gov. J. G. Brady's lecture on "Alaska and its Present Condition," which was postponed from date of Nov. 12th, was given before the Outlook Club, on Tuesday afternoon of this week, in the hall at the Old Belfry Club. Although the afternoon was attended by a downpour of rain, the attendance, if anything, was better than usual. Gov. Brady is evidently "too full for utterance," of his subject (as the saying goes), and is an enthusiastic defender of the rights and interests of Alaska, and a fearless denouncer of the wrongs committed there through the greed and unprincipled actions of rich men and great capitalists who show themselves determined to manipulate affairs, even if they have to resort to violence and murder. He compared the conditions in Alaska as similar to those in the Congo in Africa. He first described the topography of the country and conditions prevailing. He claimed for it that it was a rich land of promise aside from its mineral wealth and fur industries. He made a strong plea that the rights of Americans be more strongly safe-guarded in the territory and claimed that the Canadians and English were in a large measure making a rich harvest at our expense. The afternoon closed with the exhibit of a number of slides of Alaskan scenery giving an idea of the country, means of travel, and the grandeur of the scenery.

Mrs. Henrietta Gaines Robbins passed away at her residence, 67 Mt. Vernon street, Boston, Sunday morning. She had for some months been troubled with heart failure, but the malady assumed an aggravated form two weeks ago. Mrs. Robbins has never been herself since an attack of grippe a year ago. She was the widow of Eli M. Robbins, of Lexington, who died some two years ago. Mrs. Robbins was a native of New Orleans and a member of the famous Gaines family. She had passed most of her life in the north, making her home in Boston and in Lexington. Her only child and daughter is Medora, wife of Mr. Edw. Harold Crosby, dramatic editor of the Post. The family has always been identified with Lexington and no place was as dear as this town to Mrs. Robbins. She was a gentle little lady, bright and cheery in her intercourse and peculiarly true and loyal to her friends. Her kindly smile and gentle ways will be missed by many who have attended Mrs. Crosby's crowded society functions, but have always been glad to seek out Mrs. Robbins in her retired nook. The funeral was at the Boston residence, Tuesday afternoon, and was in charge of A. A. Marshall (undertaker) of Lexington. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Hatch of the church of Our Redeemer. The remains were interred at Mt. Auburn, where the family lot is located.

Thursday evening the Men's Club of Hancock church held its monthly supper and meeting in the church. Supper was served early in the evening and left nothing to be desired in the appetizing qualities which marked it. Prest. Merriam presided at the after supper exercises and introduced, as the speaker of the evening, Arthur F. Odlin, LL. B., who since his graduation at Boston University in 1885 has been practicing law in the south and was the first Attorney-General of Porto Rico. He was appointed judge of Court of First Instance, when the modern system of courts was established in Manila, where he is said to have distinguished himself. Thursday evening Mr. Odlin spoke on "American influence and responsibility in the far East." Mr. Odlin presented a strong argument upholding what the country has done in the Philippines, and scored the detractors in no less strong terms. He gave a clear idea of conditions prevailing there and illustrated how incompetent the natives are to govern themselves. In fact, he set aside in no uncertain terms all the claims of the so called anti-imperialists, but also explained what a complicated problem it was, especially where it is attended by so much criticism here at home. Mr. Odlin was frequently applauded, showing that the audience was in full sympathy with him.

The Water Commissioners have recently issued an important circular which gives notice of important radical changes in the manner of conducting the business of the water department. The new regulations went into effect on Jan. 1st, 1908. All bills now are to be rendered to the owners of premises instead of tenants. The Acts of the Metropolitan water system require that all water services installed after Dec. 31, 1907, be connected

with meters, and that there shall annually be equipped with water meters 5 per cent of the water services which were unmetered on December 31, 1907. The Commissioners, by vote of the town, are required to publish in the "Town Report" the names of all persons or parties who are delinquent in the payment of water rates. "Pay up or you will be published" is now the order, and al very necessary one it would appear.

The members of the High School Athletic Ass'n are planning to give one of the best dances of the season. It occurs on Friday evening, Jan. 17, in Town Hall. Louis Poole will furnish the music. The party will be matronized and the whole affair carried out to give satisfaction to all who participate.

Mr. John McKay, who is a Past-master of Simon W. Robinson Lodge, has so far recovered from his recent severe sickness as to go down stairs on Tuesday. Several weeks ago, Mr. McKay, while lifting a heavy object, received a strain which resulted in a hemorrhage of the right lung. Friends hope to see him out before long.

The Monday Club met with Miss Whitman at the Scott residence on Waltham street, Monday afternoon. Miss Whitman read a paper on the Iolian Islands. The afternoon concluded with a five o'clock chocolate refreshment at which delicious chocolate and cake were served. The ladies will meet next Monday with Mrs. Geo. O. Davis at the Russell House.

Sunday, the 5th inst., the 25th anniversary of Rev. Geo. L. Perin's pastorate of the Beacon Universalist church at Brookline, was celebrated with special services at 10:45, a.m., and 3 p.m., the latter meeting being addressed by the Brookline clergy. Dr. Perin is the father of Mrs. R. E. Lane of Lexington. He is at the head of the Franklin Square House and it is through his efforts that the new Franklin Square House is being completed. He was ordained in Ohio. On first coming to Boston, Dr. Perin became pastor of the Shawmut Universalist church, also known as the Every-day church. When that church consolidated with the Brookline Universalist he became pastor.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Ass'n held its Thimble Party on Friday of last week, in Ilionock church. This was the time for the annual meeting, but it was voted to change the constitution whereby the annual meeting will be held hereafter in October. The number of the Board of Managers was changed from six to eight members.

The luncheon was served at this meeting by a committee chairmaned by Mrs. J. S. Spaulding, and the menu included escalloped macaroni and tongue roll beside other good things. The program for the afternoon was presented by Mrs. Goodwin, chairman of the foreign department.

There was a good sized audience present, Monday evening, at the recital given in Colonial Hall, by Ida Jennesse Moulton, of Beverly, under the auspices of the Grange. Miss Moulton proved all that was said of her talents in a complimentary way in the advance notices. Her readings were unusually varied and she was equal to each impersonation, and her efforts were greatly appreciated by the audience. She gave some of her numbers with piano accompaniments which were rendered with artistic finish. The committee in charge of the evening was Messrs. W. A. Staples, Alonso Glass and Miss A. E. Kimball.

The committee having charge of the party, "The Private Secretary," to be given in the Town Hall, by the Lexington Dramatic Club, Jan. 23d, is at work now on rehearsals. The following members of the club appear in the cast:

Mr. Marshall, Mr. Doe,
Harry Marshall, Mr. Muzzey
Mr. Catterpole, Mr. Turner
Douglas Catterpole, Mr. Riley
Rev. Robt. Spaulding, Mr. Smith
Mr. Gibson, Mr. Tuttle
John, Mr. Tyler
Knox, Mr. Tufts
Gardener, Mrs. Tufts
Edith Marshall, Miss Basell
Eva Webster, Mrs. Stickel
Mrs. Stead, Mrs. Putnam
Miss Ashford, Mrs. Putnam

The annual meeting of Hancock Cong. church was held on the evening of Jan. 2d, opening with a supper served in the supper room, followed with devotional exercises and the annual transactions. There was a fair attendance of the members. The clerk's report was read by J. P. Prince, the Sunday school report by Sue Robertson and treasurer's report of the school by Mr. A. G. Graves. The Home and Foreign Missionary Ass'n was represented in reports by Miss Alice Morse, the secretary, Mrs. H. S. O. Nichols, the treasurer; also Mrs. C. C. Goodwin and Mrs. D. M. Muzzey in charge of special departments sent carefully prepared reviews of the year. An informal report of the Men's Club was given by Prest. E. P. Merriam, while Mr. A. A. Marshall, the treasurer of the church, showed the financial standing to be excellent and that the church had distributed the good sum of about thirteen hundred dollars in outside benefactions. Rev. C. F. Carter gave the pastor's message, which was a general review of the work the past year presented in an interesting and comprehensive way. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Clerk.—James P. Prince.
Treasurer.—Arthur A. Marshall.
Supt. S. S.—Sylvester P. Robertson.
Deacon, 3 yrs.—Arthur L. Blodgett.
Deaconess, 3 yrs.—Mrs. Geo. W. Spaulding.
Standing Com.—Rev. H. P. DeForest.
D. Music Com.—J. I. Buck, B. C. Whitehead,
A. C. Washburn.

The officers of Lexington Grange were installed on Wednesday evening, in Colonial Hall by Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Rice, the latter Past-State Lecturer, and their combined talents gave the ceremonies an interest and impressiveness that was quite exceptional. Mrs. Rice was the installing officer and at intervals she and her husband interpolated remarks which were peculiarly fitting and they also gave readings that were in line with the work of the Grange. A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to Mr. Geo. S. Teague, the retiring head officer, with a handsome past-masters' badge. A collation of good things the members of the Grange know how so well to provide, was partaken of at the close of the evening. The Grange is officiated as follows:

Master.—Howard M. Munroe.
Overseer.—Lewis C. Sturtevant.
Lecturer.—Wm. A. Staples.
Steward.—Fred R. Viles.
Ass't Steward.—Alonzo H. Glass.
Chaplain.—Orlo W. Allen.
Treasurer.—Everett S. Locke.
Secretary.—Bertha E. Whitaker.
Gate Keeper.—Charles M. Parker.
Cores.—Mrs. Mary A. Teague.
Pomona.—Clara Frances Conley.

The Water Commissioners have recently issued an important circular which gives notice of important radical changes in the manner of conducting the business of the water department. The new regulations went into effect on Jan. 1st, 1908. All bills now are to be rendered to the owners of premises instead of tenants. The Acts of the Metropolitan water system require that all water services installed after Dec. 31, 1907, be connected

with meters, and that there shall annually be equipped with water meters 5 per cent of the water services which were unmetered on December 31, 1907. The Commissioners, by vote of the town, are required to publish in the "Town Report" the names of all persons or parties who are delinquent in the payment of water rates. "Pay up or you will be published" is now the order, and al very necessary one it would appear.

A good audience attended the baptismal service at the Baptist church on last Sunday night.

Copies of the "Congressional Record"

will be found in the reading room of Cary Memorial Library, for the use of any who may desire to refer to them. They were presented the library through Congressman Tirrell.

The committee of the Dramatic Club in charge of the presentation of "The Private Secretary," which is to be given in Town Hall very shortly, is made up of Mrs. H. H. Putnam, Mr. Ezra F. Breed and Mr. W. M. Hatch.

The subject of the morning service in Christian Science Hall, on Forest street, on Sunday forenoon, will be the "Sacrament." The service is at quarter of eleven. On Wednesday evening, at 7:45, occurs the weekly meeting.

Louis Poole is to furnish the music for the monthly informal dance which takes place at the Old Belfry Club this Saturday evening. The presence of Poole's orchestra always draws out a large attendance especially of the older members of the club.

The annual meeting of the Unity Lend-a-Hand, held on Friday of last week in the vestry of the Unitarian church, was a happy affair in every respect. Out of a membership of twenty-five, twenty-three were present which is a fact worthy of mention in itself. Luncheon was served at noon in the supper room of the church, in charge of Miss May Harrington and Miss Amy Taylor. Every thing was prepared on the chafing dishes and the spread provided was delicious. This important feature disposed of, the ladies repaired to the parlor where a new "bee" ensued and the business meeting was held. The ladies will meet next Monday with Mrs. Geo. O. Davis at the Russell House.

Sunday, the 5th inst., the 25th anniversary of Rev. Geo. L. Perin's pastorate of the Beacon Universalist church at Brookline, was celebrated with special services at 10:45, a.m., and 3 p.m., the latter meeting being addressed by the Brookline clergy. Dr. Perin is the father of Mrs. R. E. Lane of Lexington. He is at the head of the Franklin Square House and it is through his efforts that the new Franklin Square House is being completed. He was ordained in Ohio. On first coming to Boston, Dr. Perin became pastor of the Shawmut Universalist church, also known as the Every-day church. When that church consolidated with the Brookline Universalist he became pastor.

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President.—Miss Mary D. Hunt.
Vice-president.—Mrs. Edward B. Worthen.
Secretary.—Miss Beth R. Smith.
Treasurer.—Mrs. J. Chester Hutchinson.

Plans were made at this time for the Leap Year party the club will hold in Town Hall on the evening of Feb. 8th.

The installation of Post 119, of Lexington, will be on the evening of Wednesday next, Jan. 15th. Arlington friends are requested to take notice.

SUPPER AND ENTERTAINMENT.

The January meeting of Bradshaw Missionary Association connected with the Arlington Pleasant street Congregational church, Wednesday, was a "star" event not only in point of attendance but in the quality of the entertainment. A turkey supper was served at 6:45 and the one hundred and fifty plates set were inadequate, more than two hundred being present to be served. A second setting of a portion of the tables easily supplied those who waited their turn, as the food supply was ample. It was an excellent supper, served quickly and well by a corps of young ladies, with gentlemen assisting with the coffee pitchers. Mrs. George D. Moore and Mrs. H. D. Dodge were directly in charge, but preparation of the supper devolved on a committee of thirty ladies of the church.

The talent secured was the Radcliffe Glee and Mandolin Club, and the fact that the Dean allows this club to fill but three engagements in a season, shows it cannot be an easy matter to secure their services. Miss Evelyn Warren is a member of the club and herself and family prominent in the social life of the church, and to this the company is indebted for the treat enjoyed. Rev. S. C. Bushnell acted as toastmaster of ceremonies and happily introduced the following program:

1. Estudiantina. Glee Club
2. "Merry Miller". Glee Club
3. Solo by Miss Eddy and Miss Warren
4. Reading Miss Elsie Adams
5. Selection Mandolins
6. Solo "In a year." Miss Grace Packer
7. "Pappoose." Quartet and Glee Club
8. Mother Goose Medley Glee Club

Two of the club members were encored, the mandolin combination was accorded like recognition. The reader gracefully responded to a recall and Miss Packer's soprano solo was supplemented with another bright and taking selection. Mr. Bushnell's brief but expressive words in returning thanks for pleasure given were applauded to the echo, showing he expressed a feeling that was general.

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